Academic English

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Academic English Definition

- Academic English is the style of language used in the fields of education, science, technology, and global connections. It is used by teachers, students, postgraduates, researchers, writers, columnists and journalists (Ruiz-Garrido et al. 1-2).

Academic English Definition

- Academic English is used in the formal and academic circumstances and contexts such as the followings:
  - Schools, universities, academic institutions, and learning environments
  - Books, assignments
  - presentations, seminars, debates …etc.

(Gottlieb and Slavit 2-3).

Characteristics of Academic English

- Formality
  - Using Formal Vocabulary, Words, and Grammar and Syntax
  - Using Uncontracted Verbs and Full Form of Words
  - Proper Punctuation in Proper Places
  - Avoiding Conversational and Slang Language

Characteristics of Academic English

- Impersonality and Objectivity
  - Using Impersonal Style of Language
  - Supporting the Arguments by Evidence
  - Avoiding personal Feelings and Thoughts
  - Using Objective Viewpoint and Perspectives

Characteristics of Academic English

- Clarity and Complexity
  - Using Clear Language Comprehensive for Everyone
  - Avoiding Ambiguity
  - Avoiding Simple Sentences
  - Using Complex Structured Sentences

(Bailey 13)

Functions of Academic English

- Seeking information and researching
- Retelling and recounting information
- Making it easy to convey complex and strange ideas, and making them understandable
- Classifying, describing, and organizing thoughts and ideas presented
- Compare and contrast

Functions of Academic English

- Justify and persuading the reader or audience of the academic context
- Solving problems
- Expressing cause and reasons, result and effect
- Evaluation of ideas, thoughts, and items used in the academic piece of writing or circumstance

(Hirai et al. 2-3)

Importance of Academic English

- To understand different vernacular through one academic form of language, or collecting different accent and conversational language users under one style of language that is understandable for everyone aware of academic language.
- Comprehensively conveying complex thoughts and concepts

(Gee 57-58)

Importance of Academic English

- Expand students' ability to understand different topics easily
- Improving students' ability to express and present complex concepts

(Gottlieb and Slavit 30-31)

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